

LOSING  
OUT ....

Our building Jan. 1st.  
To buy X-mas pres-  
ents, especially pipes and  
cigars, and fine cigars.

PICTURES FOR SALE.

## Man's Cigar Store

WORSER THAN AN  
ARM OF FIRE AT  
MIDNIGHT

Is a brassy cough of croup which  
sounds like the child's death  
knell is being sounded, and it  
means death unless some thing  
is done right away.

STEPHON'S WHITE PINE  
TAR never fails to give quick  
and immediate relief, stops the  
cough, heals the lungs and ef-  
fects a speedy cure.

Sold on a positive guarantee.  
L. M. STEPHON & CO.,  
Ninth and Kentucky Ave.  
Old Phone 509, New Phone 251.

## H. LOVING &amp; CO.

## Insurance.

Erving. L. L. Bebout.  
Both Phones 393

and Tennessee  
River Packet Company  
TENNESSEE RIVER

## STEAMER CLYDE

Paducah for Tennessee River  
every Wednesday at 4 p. m.  
Agent AS H. ARMSTRONG, Master.  
Resident EUGENE ROBINSON, Clerk.  
The company is not responsible for  
charges unless collected by the  
agent of the boat.

THROUGH CONNECTION AND  
BEST TIME.

Is now made to Washington, Balti-  
more, Philadelphia, New York, east-  
ern cities, Richmond, Norfolk, Vir-  
ginia and North Carolina points, by  
Illinois Central train No. 102, con-  
necting in Louisville with Ches-  
apeake and Ohio Ry., leaving Louis-  
ville at 6:00 p. m. A strictly modern  
train, solid vestibuled, electric light,  
steam heat, dining cars, Pullman  
sleepers. See that your tickets read  
over the Picturesque Chesapeake and  
Ohio Ry.

The man who goes into a thing  
with a swelled head always comes  
out with a sore one.



INSURANCE  
Is always a necessity and more than  
ever is a Fire Insurance needed  
when burning candles are liable to  
set fire to the Christmas tree and do  
considerable damage. If you want a  
really

MERRY CHRISTMAS,  
free from unnecessary worry, be sure  
that your house, furniture, etc., is  
protected by an adequate Fire Insur-  
ance Policy.

W. F. MINNICH,  
Fire, Life, Accident, Liability Insurance  
Trueheart Building, Phone 199.

## THE PECULIAR SNAIL.

This Creature Can Live Without Air,  
Water and Nourishment.

The common snail has lungs, heart  
and a general circulation, and in  
every respect an air breathing creature.  
This notwithstanding, he can live on  
indefinitely without inhaling the least  
atom of air, that which is usually con-  
sidered the essential to existence in all  
creatures supplied with lungs.

Leppert says, "To all organized crea-  
tures the removal of oxygen, water,  
nourishment and heat causes death to  
ensue." When that statement was  
made he did not appear to consider the  
snail as one among the great host of  
"organized beings," for the experi-  
ments made by Professor Spallanzani  
prove that any or all the usual life con-  
ditions can be removed in its case with-  
out terminating its existence or in any  
way impairing its functions.

It is a fact well known that the com-  
mon land snail retreats into his shell  
on the approach of frosty weather in the  
fall and that the opening or month of  
the shell is hermetically sealed by a  
secretion which is of a silky texture  
and absolutely impervious to air and  
water. In this condition it is plain  
that he is deprived of three out of the  
four elements of life mentioned by  
Leppert—viz, air, water and nourish-  
ment.

## AMERICAN WOMEN.

A Phase of Their Housekeeping That  
Surprises Englishwomen.

A favorite thing of the French at the  
English has always been that the lat-  
ter are a nation of shopkeepers. An  
Englishwoman has called American  
"a nation of housekeepers." During  
a visit to this country she was struck  
by the fact that so many American  
women of means and refinement ei-  
ther "do their own work" or actively  
superintend the domestic arrange-  
ments, taking a pride in this duty.

Our friend was surprised to learn  
that "an American woman will spend  
the forenoon in cooking or dusting or  
cleaning, then dress herself like a  
duchess and sally forth to the meeting  
of a fashionable club where she is to  
read a learned paper, like as not, or  
else call a carriage and make a round  
of social calls. And her standing does  
not seem to be impaired in the least  
by the fact that during part of the day  
she has done the work of a menial  
nor has it affected her own personal  
attractiveness."

No other woman has done so much  
as the American to emphasize the di-  
gnity of labor.—Housekeeper.

## SAILORS' TROUSERS.

The Reason They Are Baggy and  
Wide From the Knees Down.

A sailor's trousers often give rise to  
a great deal of ridicule by reason of  
their bagginess and wideness from the  
knees down. No one troubles to think  
that they may have been made in that  
way for some special purpose or other.  
Jack tars naturally have so much to do  
with water that it is almost to be won-  
dered that for working purposes they  
are not supplied with knee breeches, in  
which they would be able to paddle  
about without danger of damaging the  
leg portion of their nether garments.  
As this innovation has not taken place,  
the trousers are made very baggy so  
that they can be easily turned up well  
out of the water when worn in the wa-  
ter has to be done. Were they provid-  
ed with trousers of the same width all  
the way down the leg they would find  
it difficult to turn them up far enough  
without at the same time impeding  
their actions owing to the compression  
that would be caused.—London Stand-  
ard.

## No Words Wasted.

Nora was a treasure of a servant,  
whose habit of speech was often indi-  
rect, but was frequently picturesque  
and unexpectedly expressive. One  
evening "the master" was sitting in the  
library when the doorbell rang. Nora  
answered it, and on her return through  
the hall "the master" inquired who it  
was.

"It was a young man, sir," replied  
Nora.

"Well, what did he want?" was the  
question.

"Oh, he was just lookin' for the  
wrong number, sir."—Lippincott's  
Magazine.

## A Russian Scare in Australia.

"Russian scares" were at one time  
common in Sydney and Melbourne.  
Once, when Australia was not yet con-  
nected with the old world by telegraph,  
a mail steamer from London beat the  
record in smart passage, and to sig-  
nalize the event she fired off all her  
guns as she advanced up the harbor of  
Melbourne. But the Melbourne au-  
thorities misconstrued this demonstra-  
tion and, feeling sure that the Russians  
were really coming at last, promptly  
mobilized all their military and naval  
resources before they discovered their  
mistake.

## A Changed Woman.

"Well, well," said the returned trav-  
eler, "and so you are married now!  
It seems only yesterday since you left  
school. How time does fly!"  
"Yes," replied Mrs. Youngley, "only  
a short time ago I never clipped any-  
thing from the papers but poems, and  
now I clip nothing but recipes."—Phil-  
adelphia Press.

## Not Too Blind.

Angelina—Oh, dear! The diamond in  
my engagement ring has got a flaw in  
it. Edwin—Take no notice, darling.  
Love should be blind, you know. An-  
gelina—Yes, but it hasn't got to be  
stone blind.

The hardest thing to find is an hon-  
est partner for a swindle.—Boston  
News Bureau.

## THE CURVED BALL.

It Is the Atmosphere Which Causes  
Its Eccentric Shoots.

Most any ten-year-old youngster can  
curve a ball, even though he does not  
know why he can do so except that  
the leather must be held in a certain  
way. Possibly a half dozen of the  
major league twirlers know something  
about the science of the curve, but  
comparatively few understand why  
they can produce their "benders." The  
Scientific American gives the follow-  
ing as the scientific explanation of the  
matter:

"The pitcher in the field tells us that  
the ball curves because he gives it a  
twist, but scientifically this will not do.  
Why will the twist make the curve?  
If a ball were thrown in a certain di-  
rection and if the force of gravitation  
were not at work the ball would con-  
tinue on in a straight line forever.  
Some force of resistance is then at  
work when a ball is made to deviate in  
a curve from its straight course. If a  
feather is dropped in a vacuum in an  
exhausted receiver of an air pump it  
will drop like a shot, but if it is dropped  
out in the air it will go down in-  
regularly and slowly, shifting from  
side to side.

"It is the atmosphere which causes  
the ball to curve. Bearing in mind  
that the atmosphere is a compressible,  
elastic gas, we find that when the ball  
leaves the hand of the pitcher with a  
rapid rotary motion it 'impinges upon'  
a continuous elastic cushion, and  
this moderate resistance, or friction,  
changes its course in the direction  
which is given to the rotary motion.  
Take an outshoot of a right handed  
pitcher, for instance. He impresses  
upon the ball a rapid centrifugal ro-  
tary motion to the left, and the ball  
goes to the left because the atmosphere,  
compressible and elastic, is packed into  
an elastic cushion just ahead of the  
ball by the swift forward and rotary  
motion, and the friction, which is very  
great in front of the ball, steers it in  
the direction which it is turning."

## A NOTABLE MEETING.

Held in the Interest of "Woman's  
Rights" in 1701.

The first recorded public meeting in  
the interest of "woman's rights" was  
held in the town of Medford, Mass., in  
1701. The gallery of the church was  
occupied by the young unmarried peo-  
ple of the congregation, one side and  
one half the front gallery being given  
to the young men, the other side and  
the other half being given to the young  
women. But in the seating in this  
eventful year the young men were given  
the entire front of the gallery as well,  
and the young women were only  
allowed one side of the gallery.

Then it was that things began to  
happen. Treatment like this wasn't to  
be tolerated even for a moment. The  
blood of the future mothers of the  
Revolution was fully aroused, and the  
young women made such an uproar  
and commotion that it speedily became  
a town matter, and a town meeting  
was called to restore to them their  
rights in half of the front gallery.

The young men of the day were bit-  
terly opposed to extending any new  
privileges to women, and the fight  
extended beyond Medford. Shortly after  
the introduction of "pues" into the  
churches, by which families were sepa-  
rated from the remainder of the con-  
gregation, the selectmen of the town  
of Newbury gave permission to a group  
of young women to build a "pue" in  
the gallery of the church upon their  
own side of the house. This extension  
of privilege was resented by the young  
bachelors to such a degree that they  
broke a window of the church, forced  
an entrance and hacked the pew in  
pieces. For this act of sacrilege the  
young men of Newbury were fined \$10  
each, and sentenced to be whipped or  
pilloried. But they were manly enough  
to confess their folly and ask pardon,  
so this part of their punishment was  
omitted. So you see the "woman's  
rights" movement isn't a modern one.—  
Boston Herald.

## The Real Shillalah.

The shillalah, accounted Ireland's na-  
tional weapon of defense, was original-  
ly a common blackthorn stick, but in  
modern times it has been replaced by  
the more wiry ash sapling. The real  
shillalah is a young shoot of the sloe  
shrub or blackthorn pulled by the root  
from the crevice of some rock. After  
being trimmed it is placed in the smoke  
of turf peat, which softens the hard  
fiber, and when it has reached a con-  
dition as pliant as rubber it is straight-  
ened. When cooled in the air it be-  
comes as strong and firm as iron. The  
trimming process is then continued,  
and when it is desired to make a par-  
ticularly handsome weapon the spurs,  
so effective in a melee or faction fight,  
are ornamented with small brass nails.

## Natural Preference.

Miss Violet had made a rapid tour  
of the European continent and found  
little to impress her, either favorably or  
otherwise.

"You say you saw all you wanted to  
of Italy," said a friend on Miss Vio-  
let's return to her native heath in  
Kansas. "What did you think of the  
lazzaroni?"  
"Don't talk to me about it," said  
Miss Violet briskly. "I'd rather have  
a good dish of plain American mac-  
aroni baked with cheese any time."

## Mistaken Kindness.

Jack—Hello, old man! Awfully glad  
to see you. Here, take off that coat and  
put on this smoking jacket and make  
yourself comfortable. Dick—Dance take  
it! Do you mean to insinuate that I  
don't feel comfortable in a dress suit?

Simplicity has always been held to  
be a mark of truth. It is also a mark  
of genius.—Schopenhauer.

## JANES

REAL ESTATE  
MORTGAGES  
LOANS

This plat shows best lots in Pa-  
ducah, price, location and terms  
considered. Prices marked on each  
lot. Terms, \$25.00 cash; \$5.00 per  
month. Come and get first choice.

STREET	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	27	28	29	30	31	32	33	34	35	36	37	38	39	40
	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	27	28	29	30	31	32	33	34	35	36	37	38	39	40

MADISON	41	42	43	44	45	46	47	48	49	50	51	52	53	54	55	56	57	58	59	60
	41	42	43	44	45	46	47	48	49	50	51	52	53	54	55	56	57	58	59	60

FOUNTAIN AVE.  
LARG PARK

## W. M. JANES

525 Broadway, Paducah, Ky.  
Old Phone 1487-A

## ODD CHINESE CUSTOM.

It Is Etiquette to Belittle Oneself  
and One's Services.

In China, as in Japan, custom re-  
quires that one who has performed a  
meritorious service should belittle it,  
and one who has been selected for hon-  
ors should declare himself unworthy.  
Who can imagine an American office-  
holder writing such a letter of accept-  
ance as this, which the biographer of  
Li Hung Chang quotes from Tsong  
Kwo Fan, appointed viceroy of Nan-  
kin:

"Being of no ability and having not  
withstanding been intrusted with the  
most important duties, I have, as I  
trotted along, failed to do anything  
meritorious.

"When some years ago I went to  
Shantung I did not succeed in subdu-  
ing the Nienfei, but returned to Nan-  
kin and was ever after ashamed of  
myself. Last year I was graciously  
nominated viceroy of Chili, but I  
made unsuitable appointments, mis-  
managed the army and failed to do any  
good for the Yellow river. I tremble  
as I think of my blunders, and in con-  
sequence I am overwhelmed by the  
gracious order which directs me to re-  
sume my former important post and  
thus displays your majesty's confidence  
in me instead, as would be just, of  
reproaching me for my worthlessness  
and dismissing me."

As it happened, this was from one  
of the most honest and best beloved  
Chinese who ever governed Nankin  
and was almost worshipped by the peo-  
ple of the province.

## THE WET TABLECLOTH.

It Passed the Ship's Passenger Until  
It Was Explained.

The understeward, in setting the ta-  
ble poured a half glass of water on the  
clean white cloth and placed a dish of  
fruit on the puddle he had made. He  
made another puddle and placed on it  
the butter. On a third puddle he placed  
the bread dish, and so on.

"Why do you spoil the cloth with all  
that water?" asked a passenger.

"Because the weather's rough, sir,"  
said the steward, and then, making ap-  
parently, he went on:

"We stewards on ocean liners must  
not be merely good waiters—we must  
be good wet weather waiters. And we  
have a number of tricks.

"One of our tricks is to set the heavy  
dishes upon wet spots. If we were to  
set them on dry spots in the ordinary  
way they would slide and so with  
every lurch of the ship. But if the  
cloth is wetted they don't slide. They  
adhere to the wet place as though  
glued to it.

"One of the first things a steward  
learns is to set a stormy weather table  
—to spill water on the cloth at each  
place where a heavy dish is to stand.  
This water serves its purpose thor-  
oughly, and it doesn't look bad, either,  
for the dish covers it. No one knows  
of the wet spot underneath."—New  
York Press.

## Beggars in England.

Beggars who feign diseases are no  
new thing in the streets of London.  
They existed in Charles II's time, only  
then the beggar was called a "ruffler,"  
a "huff" or a "shabbabaron." If he was  
deaf and dumb he was called a "dum-  
mer." The woman who sung hymns  
and led borrowed children by the hand  
was called a "clapperdozen." Vagrancy  
is no new thing, though it practically  
did not exist in mediaeval times. It  
was when the cities ceased to be con-  
fined within their own walls and long  
before the days of policemen that the  
people got beyond the control of the  
aldermen and their officers and vag-  
rancy became a regular profession.  
The first English law against beggars  
was made by Henry VIII, who gave  
licenses to beg to the old and impotent  
and ordered that all other beggars  
should be whipped and sent back to  
their parishes.

## More Than Skin Tight.

Senator Joe Blackburn, who was  
quite a dandy in his younger days,  
once ordered a pair of trousers from  
his tailor, and as the fashion then was  
to wear tight nether habiliments he  
emphatically demanded that this par-  
ticular pair be skin tight. In due time  
the trousers were sent home and tried  
on, whereupon the senator sent for the  
tailor and proceeded to open fire.  
"What in the blankety blank blank  
have you done with these trousers?" he  
demanded. "You told me to make them  
skin tight, sir," faltered the tailor.  
"Yes; but, by the great horn spoon, you  
overdid it," roared the senator. "I can  
sit down in my skin, but I can't in  
these trousers."

## How Chicago Is Spelled.

In sorting over the letters for Chi-  
cago a man in the general Chicago of-  
fice has kept an account of the number  
of different ways the word Chicago is  
spelled. Recently the record showed  
197 different ways. Some ripe scholar  
in Finland sent a letter to his brother  
and spelled the name of the Garden  
City, Zizzazo. Still another foreigner,  
possibly with a sinister motive, spelled  
the word Jagjago. Hiphah, Jajlilo,  
Scheechacho, Hizzago and Chaclichio  
are also prime favorites.

## He Found It.

"I meant to have told you of that  
hole," said the kindly host to his friend,  
who had suddenly disappeared in the  
course of a stroll through the grounds,  
into a pit full of water. The friend  
climbed out and shook himself. "It  
doesn't matter," he said cheerily. "I  
found it."—London Globe.

## Proved Himself.

"That Hustly seems like a plucky  
chap."  
"Guess he is all right. He has  
plucked everybody in this neighbor-  
hood."—Detroit Free Press.

MINERS  
AND SHIPPERS  
AND WHOLESALE  
AND RETAIL DEALERS

**Pittsburg Coal Co.**

MAIN OFFICE  
126 BROADWAY  
BOTH TELEPHONES  
No. 3

## CITY TRANSFER CO

C. L. VAN METER, Manager.

ALL KINDS OF TRANSFERING, MOVING AND HEAVY HAULING  
MACHINERY A SPECIALTY.

OFFICE—River front, between Court and Washington streets. Telephone No.  
499. All orders, large or small, will receive prompt attention.

ALL KIND  
HEATING  
AND  
Sanitary Plumbing

No Work Too Large

Repair work a Specialty.

ED D. HANNAN

PHONE 201

132 S. 4TH ST.

## Johnston-Denker Coal Co.

Highest Grade Domestic Coal

Office and Yard: 14th and Tennessee Sts. Both Phones 202

J. E. COULSON,  
Plumbing...

Steam and Hot Water Heating.

'Phone 133.

529 Broadway.

## Paducah Transfer Co.

Incorporated

Light and Heavy Hauling

Phones 11

P. D. Fitzpatrick, Supt.

ESTABLISHED 1874

R. E. ASHBROOK  
INSURANCE AGENCY

Old and reliable companies. Prompt attention to all busi-  
ness. Can place all kinds of insurance.

Office 109 Fraternity Building

## American-German National Bank

PADUCAH, KENTUCKY

Capital and Surplus \$326,000.00

Accounts of individuals, firms and cor-  
porations are respectfully invited.

This bank is centrally located, completely equipped and will re-  
ceive new business on most favorable terms.

Have some choice offices to rent. Lighted, heated and all sani-  
tary improvements.